

REMARKS

Claims 1-36 are now pending in the application. Applicants' After Final Amendment of December 18, 2006 was entered. The Advisory Action advised that the amendments overcame the rejections of claims 1-18 and 20-36. The Advisory Action further stated that claims 1-18 and 20-36 would be allowable if submitted in a separate amendment cancelling non-allowable claim 19.

With this amendment, Applicants have cancelled claim 19. According to the Office Action, claims 1-18 and 20-36 are considered allowable over the cited references.

CONCLUSION

For the above reasons, Applicants submit that claims 1-18 and 20-36 are in an allowable condition and respectfully request an early Notice of Allowance. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if that would be helpful to resolving any issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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